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COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER.

SHOULD BE INTERESTED.

In prosecuting agricultural extension work in the State of Oregon for the 1915-16 period the Department of Agriculture has arranged for the expenditure of \$104,555 through Oregon Agricultural College. The moneys come to the state by reason of the provisions of the Smith-Lever act, adopted by Congress in 1914.

The instruction provided for includes practical demonstrations in agriculture and home economics, given to persons who do not attend colleges or reside in college towns. In order to secure the advantage of these funds for Oregon it was necessary for the Agricultural College to agree to a memorandum requiring the college to organize and maintain a distinct administrative management for the extension work.

In Oregon Agricultural College there is a director who is in charge of all this work, and who submits his plans to the director at Washington for approval.

For the past few years county agents have been provided in many counties, the cost being divided between the Government, state and county, who have been working with organized bodies of farmers.

A glance at the appropriations for Oregon is indicative of the wide extent and variety of aid that is being rendered, any of which is open to any county which desires to co-operate to secure the benefits that accrue.

Appropriations.

Administration	\$ 7,035
Publications	6,235
County agents	44,691
Home demonstrations ..	3,150
Movable schools	14,356
Boys' club work	6,990
Pig clubs	2,700
Farm management	2,760
Dairying	5,400
Rural organization	4,141
Miscellaneous	7,007

Total \$104,555

Of the 35 counties in Oregon, only 10 at this time have availed themselves of the county agent plan.

These agents have been particularly helpful in many states in solving social problems, as well as in giving aid to the farmer in wrestling with the everyday difficulties that spell the difference between success and failure.

In the organization of pig clubs, of contests in growing grains and vegetables among the boys, and in the work of interesting the girls in canning clubs and other branches of domestic economics the county agents have gone far toward making the farm life of the country more tolerable to the young, and in quelling the rising desire to get away to the city.

It is a work that is making the farm pay—in crops and in boys and girls.—Commerce News.

PROTECT AMERICA FIRST!

The commercial dangers to which this country will be exposed when the European war ends are obvious. Americans must be prepared to defend their foreign trade and their domestic markets against an assault necessitated by the impoverished condition of their rivals, to whom this country will offer the immediate opportunity for rehabilitation. The attack will be directed by the most intelligent merchants, backed by governments whose necessities will compel a co-operation unknown among us.

In defense of American interests our government may, if it chooses, utilize a number of weapons. The tariff may be adjusted to the actual conditions obtaining in the world, and not to theories sprung from Utopian aspirations. The constructive and defensive effects of its schedules may be supplemented by legislation restrictive to a degree the practice of "dumping" and unfair competition generally. These resources might easily be combined to afford protection to American industry and American commerce so effective that the nation could escape the more disastrous consequences of the raids that will be made upon its prosperity.

The situation far transcends partisanship. It concerns neither Republicans nor Democrats in their theoretical differences. It is of immediate, vital and national concern. To its solution the brains of the country must contribute, unhampered by prepossession or prejudice. America must keep her trade and preserve her markets, and to accomplish these things every energy of the mercantile and the political world must be united, determined and harmonious.—New York Sun.

A number of granges have condemned the present system of issuing a separate statement in a separate envelope, of taxes due on each parcel of property, that there is a needless duplication of clerical cost and expense for stationery and postage. The old system of issuing statements of taxes in one bill at one time is preferred.

The silver lining? The Boston Transcript says: "During the recent Kansas cyclone it is said that the sun was obscured for two hours by a cloud of limousines and grand pianos."

WAR AND DRUGS.

Druggists say that the war in Europe is responsible for the high price of drugs. It is almost unbelievable what a difference there is in commonly used drug necessities during the past few months. A great many drugs are practically all manufactured in Germany and the blockade by the Allies has practically stopped all importations to this country. To give an idea of the increase in price, the following is submitted: Carbolic acid has increased 1200 per cent; saltpeter, epsom salts, glycerine, cod liver oil and numerous other commonly used drugs have doubled in price; quinine has increased 300 per cent; peroxide 150 per cent. Do not blame your druggist for the increase for he is not to blame in the matter. It is now an expensive proposition to be sick, and peroxide blondes are worth three times as much as they were when the world was at peace.

The government is closing in upon the men who have directed bomb plots, incendiary fires in munition works and the fomenting of strike disorders in the interests of warring European powers. Karl Buentz, former German general consul at New York, and other employees and officials of the Hamburg-American line went on trial before Judge Howe, charged with fraudulently conspiring to furnish supplies to German commerce raiders. Before another fortnight the government expects indictments to be returned against at least half a dozen alleged ringleaders in bomb and munition plots. A woman whose name has not been made public in connection with any previous disclosures probably will be among those indicted. Several Germanic representatives, bankers and business men with foreign connections and a horde of petty agents of foreign powers will be found to be involved in a nation-wide conspiracy, federal agents said.

Five men were in the firing squad that put Jos. Hillstrom to death in Salt Lake City, Utah, Friday morning. Four of the rifles carried loaded ball cartridges. The fifth was loaded with a blank. The guns were loaded by one man, another mixed them and a third placed them on the rack from which the individual members of the firing squad chose them. No one will ever know who fired the blank cartridge. All the firing squad were expert riflemen. Four bullets pierced the target over Hillstrom's heart. Each member of the squad received \$40 in gold for his services. Hillstrom was the nineteenth person to be executed in Utah. Fifteen chose shooting and four hanging.

Secretary of State Olcott has notified county clerks that voters' lists will be supplied to the clerks as heretofore, the attorney general having held that the secretary should furnish election supplies as enumerated in the 1913 law. At a meeting of county clerks held recently with the secretary of state at Salem, all phases of the law were considered, and blank forms for writing up the alphabetical lists in duplicate of the voters in the several voting precincts in the state, were prepared, and when printed a sufficient number will be furnished each county clerk. On account of the conflicting provisions of the several laws pertaining to voters' lists and poll books, is the occasion for the official circular being issued for the guidance of county clerks.

Superintendent J. G. Imel of Astoria, has notified the High Schools represented in the lower Columbia division of the Oregon State debating league that the forensic activities will commence immediately after the Christmas holidays. Seven High Schools comprise this division. They are the Astoria, Tillamook, Clatskanie, Seaside, St. Helens, St. Johns, Rainier schools. Each school will have two teams. The subject for this season's debates is one of special interest and one which is now occupying the thought and attention of the entire country. It is the adoption of the Swiss military system by the United States.

People are often at a loss how to describe groups of animals and birds. Therefore, the following will prove interesting. You should say: A covey of partridges, a ride of pheasants, a wisp of snipe, a flight of doves or swallows, a muster of peacocks, a siege of herons, a brood of grouse, a plump of wild fowl, a stand of plovers, a watch of nightingales, a flock of geese, a herd or bunch of cattle, a bevy of quails, a cast of hawks, a swarm of bees, a school of whales, a shoal of herrings, a herd of swine, a skulk of foxes, a pack of wolves, a drove of oxen, a sounder of hogs, a troop of monkeys, a pride of lions, a sleuth of bears, and a gang of elk.

At Fairmount, W. Va., twenty-five employees of the postoffice in that city, left their positions and temporarily tied up the mail service, as a protest against the dismissal of the assistant postmaster. They have been arrested by the government, charged with conspiracy to delay the mails. The maximum penalty for the offense with which the men are charged is two years imprisonment and a fine of \$10,000. It is expensive business to interfere with Uncle Samuel's mail.

In the lonely districts of East Anglia, England, the approach of Zeppelins is heralded by means of the wild commotion among the birds, which are sensitive to the vibration long before the airship engines can be heard by human scouts.

An initiative petition to repeal the Sunday closing law is now in circulation. So also is a petition in circulation to initiate a blue law closing all business houses on Sunday. The next ballot will in all probability be of the usual length.

Germany has taxed poor little Belgium a sum of \$8,000,000 per month on account of the war. These United States have to pay a war tax in the time of peace.

COURT PROCEEDINGS

(Continued from last week).

E. C. Etanwood, sheriff's expense, \$32.00; Chas. Brown, same, \$34.21; Chas. Brown, postage for sheriff, \$24.01; Geo. Graham, launch for sheriff, \$4.00; Independent Auto Co., auto for sheriff, \$5.05; J. F. Johnson, same, \$10.90; Bessie Hattan, work for clerk, \$60.00; Kilham Sta. & Prtg. Co., supplies to clerk, \$4.97; Glass & Prudhomme Co., same, \$3.26; A. F. Barnett, postage and expressage, \$20.00; Gladys L. Ashby, work for assessor, \$49.38; Eugene M. Deming, same, \$39.37; M. White, assessor's expense, \$10.35; M. White, compact for assessor, \$7.25; J. W. Clarke, launch for assessor, \$7.50; Bushong & Co., supplies to treasurer, \$1.05; Columbia Herald, notice for treasurer, \$1.40; Clatskanie Chief, same, 50c; D. S. Vincent, wood for Court house, \$300.00; St. Helens Laundry, laundry, 86c; A. S. Harrison, supplies to janitor, \$7.85; E. A. Rotger, same, \$3.10; Von A. Gray, same, \$1.25; St. Helens Telephone Co., telephone for clerk, \$3.75; for sheriff, \$19.90; for Circuit Court, \$1.25; for County Court, \$9.85; for coroner, \$6.35; St. Helens Mist, pub. road notices, \$5.50; Rainier Review, same, \$1.80; St. Helens Mist, supplies to clerk, \$12.50; Rainier Review, same, \$20.00; St. Helens Mist, supplies to sheriff, \$8.50; Rainier Review, same, \$7.50; St. Helens Mist, pub. call for warrants, 70c; St. Helens Mist, pub. Court proceedings, \$48.75; Rainier Review, same, \$45.90; A. W. Muller, insurance, \$180.00; Jacob George, board of jurors, \$3.25; A. L. Clark, expense Co. Judge, \$11.32; A. E. Harvey, commissioner, \$80.42; Judson Weed, same, \$48.50; G. W. Barnes, J. P. State vs. Henderson, \$4.10; J. L. Campbell, constable, same, \$3.00; O. G. Weed, J. P. State vs. Wood, \$2.00; Andrew Parker, constable, same, \$1.00; A. Roberts, witness, same, \$2.00; J. Hoffman, same, \$2.00; M. E. Miller, asst. dist. atty., \$10.00; T. S. White, coroner's exam. Dodson, \$5.00; A. J. Peel, physician, same, \$5.00; T. S. White, coroner's exam. Stout, Todd & Stout, \$15.00; Gertrude Phillip, work for coroner, \$1.00; T. S. White, exam. and burial of Judd, \$35.50; A. J. Peel, physician, same, \$5.00; T. S. White, coroner's exam. Mills, \$14.00; A. J. Peel, exam. Chase and Fogel, Inanno, \$10.00; Edwin Ross, same, \$10.00; attending school officers' meeting, C. Koutek, \$2.00; R. S. Hattan, \$2.00; Fred Gill, \$2.00; A. H. Carlson, \$2.00; W. Bumgardner, \$2.00; A. L. Clark, \$2.00; R. N. Lovelace, \$2.00; H. D. Morris, \$2.00; M. J. Ackley, \$2.00; Hannah Lumjarvi, \$2.00; W. P. Rickert, \$2.00; Jennie Sobieski, \$2.00; Mrs. W. H. Holmes, \$2.00; Otto Brockhaus, \$2.00; Mrs. C. A. Link, \$2.00; F. Ankler, \$2.00; J. Grimith, \$2.00; L. O. High, \$2.00; J. Niemela, \$2.00; O. S. Smith, \$2.00; R. Larson, \$2.00; D. H. Pope, \$2.00; H. J. Southard, transient officer, \$11.00; Madeline E. Allen, work for school supt., \$50.00; J. W. Allen, postage, same, \$9.25; J. W. Allen, traveling expense, same, \$11.20; E. W. Saxton, fruit inspector, \$23.40; Good Samaritan hospital, care of Foster, et al., \$201.79; St. Vincent's hospital, care of Chase, \$21.50; T. E. Growell, grave for Judd, \$5.00; S. W. Cade, milk to Stone, \$9.75; A. S. Harrison, supplies to Fleming and Stone, \$20.75; Watts & Price, supplies to C. Barnett, \$15.25; Dr. L. G. Ross, care of paupers, \$38.00; T. M. Hurlburt, board of prisoners, \$19.50; Jacob George, board of prisoners, \$74.75; F. P. Phillips, scaler of W. and M., \$26.92; Fred Fogel, sidewalk, \$6.10; Clatskanie Mercantile Co., \$21.15; J. D. McKay, supervisor R. D. No. 1, \$91.00; J. W. Akin, No. 2, \$3.50; J. W. Foster, No. 6, \$17.50; E. A. Gessell, No. 7, \$70.00.

Road District No. 1.

J. B. Duncan, \$70.00; G. W. Morris, \$66.25; N. H. McKay, \$92.50; H. Gearhart, \$4.00; J. Duncan, \$28.00; O. D. Garrison, \$40.00; John Kortina, \$40.00; F. Tompkins, \$7.50; Ed Helmlinger, \$22.50; L. Brown, \$18.00; W. Navaroli, \$2.00; Geo. W. Grant, \$291.75; Duncan & Grant, \$181.98; Coast Culvert & Flume Co., \$59.75; D. Smith, \$5.70; R. A. McKay, \$20.62.

Road District No. 2.

W. D. Johnston, \$14.00; C. W. Johnson, \$12.00; J. Steward, \$4.00; W. Gortler, \$9.00; E. O. Steward, \$32.50; W. H. Faxon, \$50.00; A. M. Williams, \$7.00; P. E. Brockway, \$23.75; J. Clin, \$8.75; St. Helens Lbr. Co., \$20.35; J. H. Cronkite, \$11.25; D. R. Fowler, \$24.00.

Road District No. 3.

E. Keelan, \$20.00; T. S. Morel, \$20.00; L. Peery, \$20.00; H. Voss, \$20.00; R. Miller, \$20.00; O. Brockhaus, \$8.00; H. Stewart, \$1.25; F. Klock, \$17.75; Standard Oil Co., 54c; B. J. Keelan, \$4.05; St. Helens Lbr. Co., \$6.25.

Road District No. 4.

Sam Keith, \$20.00; Chas. Alston, \$16.00; John Tellers, \$10.00; J. P. Combs, \$16.00; Karl Elo, \$10.00; W. M. Divine, \$16.00; Chas. Carlson, \$2.00; H. McAdam, \$24.00; John Curteman, \$37.50; J. J. Brand, \$16.00; W. R. Crawford, \$15.00; C. Norman, \$16.00; P. H. Vezzie, \$12.00; W. R. Holmes, \$30.00; S. C. Hendrix, \$25.00; S. A. Hendrix, \$25.00; B. Hayne, \$8.00; A. Matilla, \$6.00; Alec Pelt, \$5.00; T. A. Parcher, \$5.00; J. Dowling, \$5.00; H. Girt, \$4.00; J. R. Shultz, \$8.50; F. Trow, \$3.05; M. Ellis & Co., \$2.20; Columbia River Door Co., \$10.50; B. W. Lowman, \$25.00; Fred Trow, \$3.95; J. Keating, \$37.17.

Road District No. 5.

F. A. Burnham, \$50.00; W. F. Sheets, \$10.00; G. W. Dalley, \$3.50; G. W. Waters, \$6.00; E. C. Botterton, \$7.00; Anton Norton, \$11.00; E. L. Anderson, \$11.00; J. R. Sullivan, \$7.00; H. A. Ludy, \$4.00; H. Marsland, \$4.00; J. Cravens, \$1.65; J. E. Van, \$18.05; W. Z. V. Rogers, \$2.90; Oregon Lbr. Co., \$11.42; Clatskanie Merc. Co., \$4.74; H. Doerr, \$5.20; Hall & Doran, \$869.00; Col. River Powd. Co., \$3.10; F. A. Burnham, \$32.20; West Ore. Lbr. Co., \$3.75; J. Cravens, \$3.90.

Road District No. 6.

Geo. Adamson, \$33.25; D. McMullen, \$47.50; J. Martella, \$17.00; D. Hedlund, \$1.00; F. E. Foster, \$2.00;

S. Kauppi, \$19.00; F. Banzer, \$1.25; J. W. Balbridge, \$1.00; Col. Riv. Powd. Co., \$14.25.

Road District No. 7.

R. L. Wildman, \$6.00; W. D. Baker, \$7.75; J. H. Turk, \$10.75; S. Turk, \$4.00; E. B. North, \$4.00; Cans Bergerson, \$7.50; P. Bergerson, \$15.75; G. R. Mills, \$63.00; R. Someman, \$15.00; O. E. Dent, \$9.00; N. J. Parker, \$24.50; O. S. Dallam, \$16.00; Edwin Smith, \$5.00; R. Christensen, \$4.00; Walter Parker, \$17.50; O. D. Lavender, \$4.00; L. Hoeck, \$10.00; Garfield Smith, \$1.25; R. Spencer, \$17.50; G. W. Parker, \$58.75; A. B. Counts, \$8.75; J. Armstrong, \$6.00; L. Siegert, \$5.00; T. G. Parker, \$21.00; F. E. Malmsten, \$18.00; John Watson, \$4.00; A. L. Parker, \$35.00; O. O. Donelson, \$17.00; T. Erickson, (Continued on page five).



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